



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

CR-101 (June 2004)

(Implements RCW 34.05.310)

Do **NOT** use for expedited rule making

Agency: Insurance Commissioner

Subject of possible rule making: Chapter 284-51 WAC, Standards for Coordination of Benefits (COB)

Insurance Commissioner Matter No. R 2005-07

Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject: RCW 48.02.060, 48.21.200, 48.44.050 and 48.46.200

Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish: Harmonization of Washington's COB standards with the recently amended NAIC Coordination of Benefits Model Regulation to be more consistent with standards generally implemented in other states. Greater consistency in standards should lessen the administrative burden for carriers coordinating benefits on coverage issued in Washington with coverage issued in other states.

Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:
None

Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☒ Agency study
- ☒ Other (describe) Send written comments by: February 4, 2006

How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers, and e-mail of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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